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The following are some of the developments in the program of reorganization and retrenchment going on in the Soviet Oil Administration:

- 25X1 a. Only the mechanics are working at Angern. They will remain there only until all equipment has been greased and stored.
- 25X1 b. Orders were given to the producing oilfield administrations (SEBs) to prepare to do all the work which formerly was done by the Tamponage Section and the Buero fuer Sonden-Generalreparaturen. A few of the workers who were released from these sections have been offered to the SEBs to help carry out the added work.
- 25X1 c. Only six drill rigs are to remain at Bohrbetrieb I and four at Bohrbetrieb II.¹ However, those rigs which are still working are to continue working until the wells being drilled have been finished. The workers will then be released.
- 25X1 d. The cracking unit which was under construction at the Moosbierbaum Refinery for the production of high octane gasoline (Leichtbenzin) will not be finished. The unit was to be ready for operation by September or October 1953.
- 25X1 e. The Bau-und Montageabteilung has allegedly released 100 workers.

Comment: [redacted] on 3 August 1953, 20 office employees and 120 laborers were released at Bohrbetrieb I.

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